

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BRASILIA  
TO CH USDEL JBUSMC RIO DE JANEIRO IMMEDIATE  
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 893

C O N F I D E N T I A L BRASILIA 7030

FOL TEL RCVD FROM SECSTATE 11 AUGUST 75 SENT ACTION BRASILIA BEING  
RPTD FOR YOUR ACTION/INFO  
QUOTE STATE 189520

E.O.11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, BR  
SUBJECT: DECLASSIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT MOU

1. DEPT HAS RECEIVED REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
ACT (FOIA) FROM CONGRESSMAN LES ASPIN FOR 29  
BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS. ALL OF THESE AGREEMENTS  
ARE CLASSIFIED AND TEXTS WERE PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED TO  
THE CONGRESS AS REQUIRED BY LAW. ASPIN IN EFFECT IS ASKING  
FOR THEIR DECLASSIFICATION.AMONG AGREEMENTS REQUESTED IS  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE USG AND THE  
GOB RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF MILITARY AIRCRAFT WHICH  
IS CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL. MOU WAS SIGNED ON SEPTEMBER  
24, 1973 AND DEALS WITH SALE OF F-5B, F-5E AND C-130 AIRCRAFT.

2. UNDER FOIA, WE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE RECORDS REQUESTED  
UNLESS THEY FALL INTO ONE OF THE NINE CATEGORIES SPECIFICALLY  
EXEMPT. ONLY CATEGORY THAT MIGHT BE APPLICABLE IN  
THIS CASE IS CATEGORY 1, I.E. "RECORDS SPECIFICALLY  
AUTHORIZED UNDER CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY AN EXECUTIVE ORDER  
TO BE KEPT SECRET IN THE INTEREST OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OR  
FOREIGN POLICY AND IN FACT PROPERLY CLASSIFIED PURSUANT TO  
SUCH EXECUTIVE ORDER."

3. FROM STANDPOINT OF US NATIONAL DEFENSE, THERE IS  
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NOTHING IN MOU OR ANNEXES THAT WARRANTS CONTINUED CLASSIFICATION.

BEFORE DECIDING ON RELEASE OF DOCUMENT IN  
UNCLASSIFIED FORM, HOWEVER, WE WISH TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER  
THERE ARE ANY STRONG FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEMS.

4. EMBASSY IS INSTRUCTED TO APPROACH GOB AT APPROPRIATE  
LEVEL AND EXPLAIN NATURE OF PROBLEM DRAWING ON FOREGOING  
PARAS AS NECESSARY. YOU SHOULD STATE THAT USG HAS NO  
OBJECTION TO DECLASSIFICATION OF MOU AND ANNEXES BUT  
BEFORE DOING SO WE WISH TO ASCERTAIN VIEWS OF GOB SO  
THAT THEY MAY BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. (BEGIN FYI: IF GOB  
REACTS STRONGLY AGAINST DECLASSIFICATION, EMBASSY SHOULD  
ASCERTAIN SPECIFIC NATURE OF OBJECTIONS. THIS WILL ENABLE  
US TO DETERMINE WHETHER DOCUMENT CAN BE PROVIDED IN  
SEGREGATED FORM, I.E. WITH CLASSIFIED PORTIONS DELETED.  
EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO DETERMINE WHETHER GOB WOULD BE WILLING  
TO AGREE TO RELEASE OF TEXT OF MOU ONLY. THIS WOULD  
MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE ANNEXES WHICH CONTAIN DETAILS  
ON DELIVERIES, ETC., AND WHICH MAY BE MORE SENSITIVE  
IN GOB EYES. END FYI).

5. IN VIEW OF TIGHT DEADLINES IMPOSED BY FOIA, REPLY  
REQUESTED SOONEST.  
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